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5 **Applicant:** Guay, et al. **Confirmation No.:** 3882
 Application No: 10/678,800 **Group Art Unit:** 2166
 Filed: 10/03/2003 **Examiner:** Navneet K. Ahluwalia
10 **Title:** *Preserving sets of information in rollup tables*

15 Commissioner for Patents
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Response to a non-final Office action under 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Status of the prosecution

20 A Pre-Appeal Brief Conference was held in this application and as a result prosecution was
 reopened. Examiner mailed a non-final Office action on 9/21/2007 in which she rejected all
 claims under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as anticipated by published US patent application 2002/0029207,
 Bakalash, et al., *Data aggregation server for managing a multi-dimensional database and*
 database management system having data aggregation server integrated therein, filed Feb. 28,
25 2001 (henceforth "Bakalash"), one of the references cited in the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103
 which was the subject of the Pre-Appeal Brief Conference. Applicants requested a telephonic
 interview, which was held 1/8/200. In the interview, Applicants explained the differences
 between the references and Applicants' roll up techniques and showed how the claims set forth
 the differences and Examiner explained why the claims did not set forth the differences with
30 sufficient clarity. There was some discussion about claim language but no agreement was
 reached. Applicants are now amending their claims to better set forth the differences.

Please amend the claims as follows: